Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0037] with the following amended paragraph:

[0037] The shaker assembly is intended to be placed on a stiff surface while the subject 10 (such as an object or item of furniture) is placed on or attached to the top of the top plate 5. The size and shape of various components and portions of the armature and stator assemblies can vary widely depending on the desired application, and the desired amount of vibrational force intended to be generated by the shaker assembly. By way of example and not limitation, the integrated base plate-bottom pole 9, and top plate 5 are configured in a substantially square shape in the exemplary system shown in FIGS. 1 and 2, with the coil bobbin 3, outer pole 18, magnet 8, and top pole 4 being configured in substantially circular or cylindrical shapes in order to improve the uniformity of the DC field within the gap and simplify the manufacturing processes. It will be understood and appreciated that many different shapes, sizes, and implementations of the current invention are possible without departing from the spirit and scope of the current invention.